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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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SAF/AAII (FOIA) 1000 Air Force Pentagon Washington DC 20330-0100

Mr. Benjamin Good American Civil Liberties Union 125 Broad Street, 18th Floor New York, NY 10004

Dear Mr. Good:

On 3 March 2016, you requested under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request "records related to the use of prepublication review processes in Intelligence Community agencies." You specifically sought from the Air Force the following records:

- (1) policies, standards, and guidance related to prepublication review;
- (2) final legal analyses of past, present, or proposed prepublication-review requirements;
- (3) final decisions of officials conducting prepublication reviews;
- (4) correspondence with former agency employees (or their representatives) who have submitted materials for prepublication review since January 1, 2009;
- (5) statistics relating to prepublication review, including but not limited to information documenting the total numbers of individuals who have submitted works for review, the total number of works submitted for review, the total number of submissions approved without change, the total number of submissions returned with proposed redactions or other modifications, the total number of pending submissions, and the duration of prepublication review processes;
 - (6) titles, subject matters, and dates of works submitted for prepublication review; and
- (7) information about enforcement proceedings instituted or contemplated on the basis of violations of prepublication-review requirements, including breach-of-contract actions, agency administrative proceedings, and civil or criminal litigation.

After filing a lawsuit on 21 June 2016 for release of documents responsive to your request, you agreed to withdraw request category four, correspondence with former agency employees.

The Air Force conducted a search reasonably calculated to uncover all documents responsive to your FOIA request as amended. The attached documents are responsive to your FOIA request. Redactions have been applied under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) to identifying information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of privacy and

under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5) for attorney-client-privileged communications in the legal review of agency prepublication review guidance. The Air Force is releasing all other information.

Should you decide that an appeal to this "Partial denial" response is necessary, you must write to the Secretary of the Air Force, Thru: SAF/AAII (FOIA), 1000 Air Force Pentagon, Washington DC 20330¬1000, within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Include in the appeal, your reasons for reconsideration, and attach a copy of this letter. You may also contact the Air Force FOIA Public Liaison Officer, Ms. Anh Trinh, concerning this final response at usaf.pentagon.saf-cio-a6.mbx.af-foia@mail.mil or (703) 614-8500.

Please direct your questions to Janet Beasley at (703) 614-3025 or janet.f.beasley.civ@mail.mil and reference case number #2016-02275-F.

Sincerely

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